

STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY LANSING



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TO: Senate Appropriations Committee

Senate Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Committee

House Appropriations Committee

House Land Use and Environment Committee

FROM: Steven E. Chester, Director

SUBJECT: Report of Solid Waste Landfilled in Michigan for Fiscal Year (FY) 2003

Pursuant to Section 802 of 2003 PA 171, enclosed for your information is a copy of the Report of Solid Waste Landfilled in Michigan for FY 2003. Submittal of this information to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is required of all active landfills in Michigan pursuant to Section 11507a(1) of Part 115, Solid Waste Management, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended. This is the eighth annual report of this data prepared by the DEQ.

Michigan landfills disposed of 62,615,429 cubic yards of solid waste in FY 2003, an increase from 57,540,922 cubic yards in FY 2002. Waste disposed of by Michigan residents increased by only 1,069,482 cubic yards, about 2 percent, to 47,115,961 cubic yards. Waste imported from other states and Canada increased by 4,005,025 cubic yards, about 35 percent, to 15,499,468 cubic yards. The largest source of waste imports into Michigan continues to be from Canada, with total imports of 9,433,028 cubic yards, up 2,825,172 cubic yards, or about 43 percent, from FY 2002. Imported solid waste made up one-quarter of all waste disposed of in Michigan landfills in FY 2003, up from one-fifth in FY 2002.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. George Bruchmann, Chief, Waste and Hazardous Materials Division, at 517-373-9523, or you may contact me.

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